STATE OF MICHIGAN

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & ECONOMIC GROWTH

STATE BOUNDARY COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

Boundary Commission Docket #05-I-1

The proposed incorporation of the Village of Caro as a Home Rule City, Tuscola County.

FINAL ORDER

WHEREAS the Director of the Department of Labor & Economic Growth signed an Order on July 15, 2007 to approve a petition that proposes the incorporation of the Village of Caro as a Home Rule City.

WHEREAS more than 5% of the registered electors in the area approved for the proposed incorporation have signed and filed a valid petition with the State Boundary Commission within the statutory 45-day period, asking for a referendum election on the proposed incorporation, as authorized in 1968 PA 191. The referendum petition signatures were declared to be legally sufficient at the meeting of the Boundary Commission on November 15, 2007.

- IT IS ORDERED THAT the registered electors in the territory proposed to be incorporated shall be permitted to vote on the referendum question at an election to be held on May 6, 2008. However, if a May election date is not feasible pursuant to Michigan Election Law, an alternative election date will be August 5, 2008.
- IT IS ORDERED THAT if a majority of the electorate in the territory proposed for incorporation, voting collectively on the referendum question, approve continuation of the incorporation process, this Order shall become final on the date specified herein. Charter commission elections and proceedings pursuant to 1909 PA 279 shall follow. If a majority of the electorate in the territory proposed for incorporation, voting collectively, vote no on the referendum question, no further incorporation proceedings shall take place.
- IT IS ORDERED THAT the new effective date for the Summary of Proceedings, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and Final Order that was signed by the Director on July 15, 2007, shall be May 16, 2008. However, if the election is held on the alternate date as specified herein, the new effective date shall be August 15, 2008. A copy of this Order and the canvass of votes from the respective election shall be appended thereto.

ATTACHMENT A

REFERENDUM ON INCORPORATION PROCESS

Shall the proceedings continue that propose to incorporate the Village of Caro as a Home Rule City?

Yes [] No []

NOTE: A "Yes" vote permits incorporation proceedings to continue.

A "No" vote terminates incorporation proceedings.

IT IS ORDERED THAT the attached ballot language (Attachment A) be placed before the voters. The clerks of Almer Township, Indianfields Township and the County of Tuscola shall coordinate, conduct, and direct the election in compliance with the election laws of this state. The Board of Canvassers of either the Townships or the County shall certify the election results to the State Boundary Commission.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Department shall transmit a copy of this Order to the clerks of the Village of Caro, Almer Township, Indianfields Township, the County of Tuscola, and to the Secretary of State.

Keith W. Cooley, Director

Michigan Department of Labor & Economic Growth

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